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NOTICE

The Bureau of Land Management will hold four (4) Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sales during Fiscal Year 2016. The tentative scheduled dates are shown below:

October 21, 2015 Oil and Gas Lease Sale (**Carlsbad Field Office only**)

Sale Contact	Margie Dupre (505) 954-2142
Closing Date for Expressions of Interest (EOI)	December 26, 2014
2 Week Public Scoping	March 9, 2015 thru March 23, 2015
Public Review of Environmental Assessment (30 days)	May 11, 2015 thru June 9, 2015
Protest Period – (30 Days)	July 22 thru August 20, 2105
Sale Notice Posted on website/mailed to Public	July 22, 2015

January 20, 2016 Oil and Gas Lease Sale * **POSTPONED**
(**No EOIs were received for Las Cruces District Office or Rio Puerco Field Office**)

Sale Contact	Diane Eillenburg (505) 954-2135
Closing Date for Expressions of Interest (EOI)	March 27, 2015
2 Week Public Scoping	June 8, 2015 thru June 22, 2015
Public Review of Environmental Assessment (30 days)	August 10, 2015 thru September 8, 2015
Protest Period – (30 Days)	October 21 thru November 19, 2015
Sale Notice Posted on Website/Mailed to Public	October 21, 2015

April 20, 2016 Oil and Gas Lease Sale – (**Oklahoma Field Office only**)

Sale Contact	Julie Serrano (505) 954-2149
Closing Date for Expressions of Interest (EOI)	June 19, 2015
2 Week Public Scoping	August 31, 2015 thru September 11, 2015
Public Review of Environmental Assessment (30 days)	November 2, 2015 thru December 1, 2015
Protest Period – (30 Days)	January 20 thru February 18, 2016
Sale Notice Posted on Website/Mailed to Public	January 20, 2016

July 20, 2016 Oil and Gas Lease Sale – (**Pecos District Offices only**)

Sale Contact	Lou Ortiz (505) 954-2146
Closing Date for Expressions of Interest (EOI)	October 2, 2015
2 Week Public Scoping	December 14 thru December 30, 2015
Public Review of Environmental Assessment (30 days)	February 8, 2016 thru March 7, 2016
Protest Period – (30 days)	April 20 thru May 19, 2016
Sale Notice Posted on Website/Mailed to Public	April 20, 2016

*Nominations will be accepted for both the Las Cruces District Office and the Rio Puerco Field Office. However, only EOIs received for one of these offices will be offered for sale in the January 2016 Oil & Gas Lease Sale. This decision will be made by 4/10/2015.

Federal lands administered by an agency outside of the Department of the Interior require Surface Management Agency (SMA) consent. Meeting the closing dates does NOT guarantee your EOI will be on the scheduled sale date. Every effort will be made to offer your EOI in a timely manner.

If you wish to receive the Oil and Gas Lease Sale Notice, contact the Information Access Center at (505) 954-2098.

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